31.8.1990 which provides considerable improvement in the salary and allowances of pilots. The Association has also signed a Memorandum of Understanding on career pattern for pilots providing for considerable improvement in their career progression.

Functioning of Indian Embassy in Sudan

2712. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report which appeared in the Statesman dated 3rd June, 1989 regarding the functioning of the Indian Emabssy in Sudan and the alleged misdeeds of a former Indian diplomat in that country;

(b) if so, whether Government have made any inquiry into the matter; and

(c) if so, the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The matter has been looked into. No evidence of any misdeeds has been found.

Indian Government asked to Stop Anti-Bangladesh Conspiracy and Terrorist Activities

2713. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in the Indian Express dated 25th May, 1989 quoting debate in the Bangladesh Parliament asking the Indian Government to stop anti-Bangladesh conspiracy and terrorist activities being operated from Indian soil; and

(b) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government are firmly opposed to such activities being carried on from the Indian soil.

Land Illegally Occupied by the Slum Dwellers Around Major Airports

2714. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of the land belonging to the Airports which has been illegally accupied by slum dwellers around the major airports namely Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and Delhi and what is the percentage of rise in the slum population around these airports;

(b) what are the major problems being faced by the Airports with the steady rise in the slum population; and

(c) what measures have been taken by Government so far to remove the slums around the airports in order to solve the problems and with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) The percentage of IAAI land illegally occupied by slum dwellers at Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi and Madras Airport is 10.66, 4,377, 0.02 and 0.014 respectively. The increase of slum population at Bombay Airport is 28.55 per cent per annum. There is no increase in slum population at other airports.

(b) The unauthorised settlements cause security risk to aircraft operations, attract birds in the around the airports, give rise to rodent menace and retard the expansion of airport facilities due to scarcity of land.